GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1635
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AIR WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION ACTS
VISHNU DATT

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Acts on Air, Water and Environmental Pollution are applicable to Jammu and Kashmir States;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether cases of violations of these Acts by the State Government have come to the notice of the Union Government during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS

(SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)
(a) & (b) : The Central Acts viz.; the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981; the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 are applicable to the State of Jammu and Kashmir.However, amendments made in 1978 and 1988 to the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 have not been adopted by Jammu & Kashmir State Legislature. The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977, extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

(c) & (d) : The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.